

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 2, line 13, as follows:

A connecting portion of connecting this inner hub 102 with the shaft 103 is composed in such a manner that the male screw portion 104 provided on the outer circumference of the forward end portion of the compressor shaft 103 is screwed to the female screw portion 106 provided in the cylindrical boss portion 105 of the inner hub 102 which is formed by means of insert molding on the inner circumferential side of the outer hub 101 of the compressor-pulley device. This inner hub 102 is made of ~~resin material~~metal and is formed by means of integral molding. In the case where an excessively high torque is given when the compressor shaft is locked, the bridge portion 107 of the inner hub 102 is broken. In this way, the torque limiter mechanism fulfills its function.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 11, line 30, as follows:

The compressor shaft 2 corresponds to the drive shaft of the present invention. A forward end portion of the shaft 2 is engaged with the connecting rod 10. As shown in Figs. 1 and 2, an outer circumferential screw portion (male screw portion) 3 for connecting the compressor-pulley device is formed on the outer circumference of the forward end portion of the shaft 2. On an outer circumferential face of the shaft 2 on the housing 1 side of the connecting rod 10, that is, on an outer circumferential face of the shaft 2 protruding forward from the front wall face of the housing 1, the locking portion 40 ~~of the width across flat is provided which prevents the shaft 2 from rotating when the connecting rod 10 is rotated after being~~ is provided in order to prevent the shaft 2 from rotating when the connecting rod 10 is rotated in a direction in which the connecting rod would be loosened with respect to the shaft 2.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 17, line 28, as follows:

On the forward end face (the left end face in the drawing) of the first engaging portion 41, the locking portion ~~45 of the width across flat is integrally formed which prevents the connecting rod 10 from rotating in the case where the output disk 8 is rotated being loosened~~ 40 is integrally formed in order to prevent the connecting rod 10 from rotating when the output disk 8 is rotated in a direction in which the output disk would be loosened with respect to the connecting rod 10. On the forward end face of the second engaging portion 42 of the connecting rod 10, the first receiving mount face 46, the profile of which is substantially annular, is integrally formed which engages with the rear end face (the right end face in the drawing) of the cylindrical boss portion 31 of the inner hub 22 so as to prevent the cylindrical boss portion 31 from moving backward (to the right in the drawing), the first receiving mount face 46 coming into close contact with the rear end face of the cylindrical boss portion 31.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 18, line 7, as follows:

On the bottom wall face of the second engaging portion 42 of the connecting rod 10, the second receiving mount face 47, the profile of which is substantially circular, is integrally formed which engages with the forward end face (the left end face in the drawing) of the compressor shaft 2 ~~so as to prevents to prevent~~ to prevent the shaft 2 from moving forward (to the left in the drawing), the second receiving mount face 47 coming into close contact with the forward end face of the shaft 2. In this connection, the profiles and diameters of the outer circumferential screw portion 43 on the inner hub 22 side of the connecting rod 10 and the first receiving mount face 46, the profile of which is circular, are the same as those of the forward end face 111 in the

shoulder portion of the prior art (Refer to Fig. 4.). In the present embodiment, as shown in Fig. 1, the diameter of the second engaging portion 42 on the right of the step portion (the first receiving mount 46) is larger than the diameter of the first engaging portion 41 on the left of the step portion (the first receiving mount face 46).